# **Kettle Moraine State Forest – Southern Unit Outdoor Events for July-August 2014**

#### **Beach Bass**

#### Thurs, July 3, 10-2 pm

Drop by Ottawa Lake Beach for a fun fishing activity where everyone is guaranteed to catch something.

#### **Mammal Match**

# Fri, July 4, 5-8 pm

Drop by the Ottawa Lake Entrance Station to play a game to learn to identify mammals common to Wisconsin.

## **Star Gazing**

#### Sat, July 5, 9 pm

Join us on a tour through the night sky as we pick out constellations and enjoy astronomy related stories. Meet at the Ottawa Lake Contact Station. Feel free to bring blankets, lawn chairs, and bug spray to make your experience more enjoyable.

# **Gotten Cabin Open House**

#### Sun, July 6, 10-2 pm

Come see the inside of a restored cabin from the mid-1800s. The cabin was built by Henry Gotten, who acquired this parcel of land in 1855. The cabin is located across the street from the Paradise Springs Trailhead at County Road N, west of Eagle.

#### **Nature's Detective**

#### Thurs, July 10, 10-2 pm

Drop by the Ottawa Lake Beach to identify trees, fish, and tracks by using an identification key.

#### **Nature Journals**

#### Fri, July 11, 5-8 pm

Drop in at the Ottawa Lake contact station to create your own nature journal. Learn creative ways to log your outdoor adventures.

#### Ottawa Lake by Kayak

#### Fri, July 11

Explore the quiet waters Ottawa Lake by kayak. Sign-up in advance at the Ottawa Lake Entrance Station. Guided trips leaving at 10:00, 11:00, 12:00, 1:00.

#### Ottawa Lake by Kayak

#### Sat, July 12

Explore the quiet waters Ottawa Lake by kayak. Sign-up in advance at the Ottawa Lake Entrance Station. Guided trips leaving at 10:00, 11:00, 12:00, 2:00, 3:00, 4:00.

#### **Meet the Ranger**

#### Sat, July 12, 6:30 pm

What do park rangers do anyways? Come meet the ranger, use some of their cool tools, and find out what a day at the park is really like. Meet at the Ottawa Lake Amphitheater.

# Ottawa Lake by Kayak

#### Sun, July 13

Explore the quiet waters Ottawa Lake by kayak. Sign-up in advance at the Ottawa Lake Entrance Station. Guided trips leaving at 10:00, 11:00, 12:00, 1:00.

#### Tree ID Frisbee

#### Thurs, July 17, 10-2 pm

Drop by Ottawa Lake Beach for a fun game of Frisbee with a focus on the trees of Kettle Moraine State Forest.

#### **Scavenger Hunt**

## Fri, July 18, 5-8 pm

Drop by the Ottawa Lake Contact Station to scavenge the forest for natural treasures.

#### Learn to Track

#### Sat, July 19, 9-Noon

Mammals live all around us, but we don't often get to see them. Enter their world by learning to read their tracks and signs. It is one of the most ancient of human skills, educational and fun! Meet at the forest headquarters in the auditorium.

#### **Owls of Wisconsin**

# Sat, July 19, 6:30 pm

Meet some local owls live and in person! The Wildlife in Need Center (a local wildlife rehabilitation center) will present this educational program.

#### Ottawa Lake Kayak

# Thurs, July 24

Explore the quiet waters Ottawa Lake by kayak. Sign-up in advance at the Ottawa Lake Entrance Station. Guided trips leaving at 10:00, 11:00, 12:00, 2:00, 3:00, 4:00.

#### Ottawa Lake by Kayak

#### Fri, July 25

Explore the quiet waters Ottawa Lake by kayak. Sign-up in advance at the Ottawa Lake Entrance Station. Guided trips leaving at 12:00, 1:00, 2:00, 3:00 pm.

#### **Outdoor Skills**

# Fri, July 25, 5-8 pm

Drop by the Ottawa Lake Contact Station to learn and perform some simple survival skills.

# Volunteer Work Day

## Sat, July 26, 9-Noon

Meet at Paradise Springs Nature Trail to pull watercress from the springs. Watercress is not native to the local ecosystem. Wear footwear appropriate for standing in the clear, cold water!

#### **Universe in the Park**

## Sat, July 26, 9 p.m.

The UW Astronomy grad students will show you what's up! A short presentation is followed by telescope time. Meet at Ottawa Lake Picnic Shelter A.

#### **Snake Toss**

# Thurs, July 31, 10-2 pm

Drop by the Ottawa Lake Beach to learn some sneaky snake stuff.

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